Welcome to Mercer County Senior High School

Class of 2027 Registration/Scheduling

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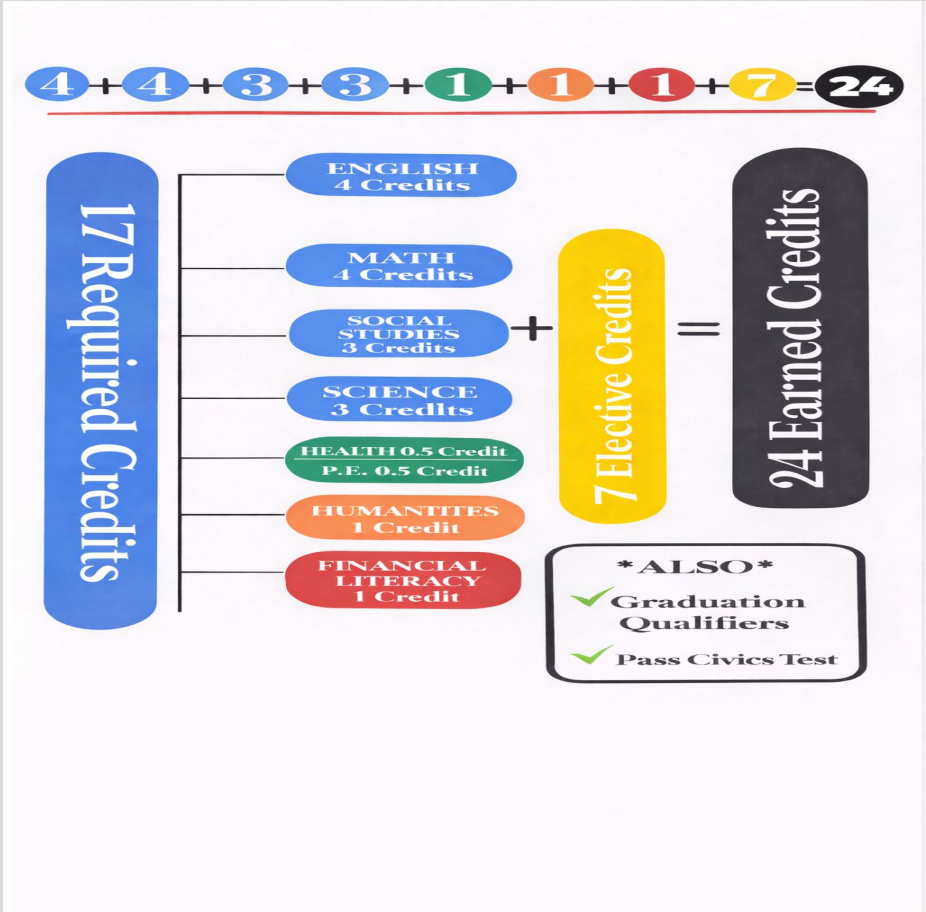








GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



WHAT'S NEW FOR THE 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR?

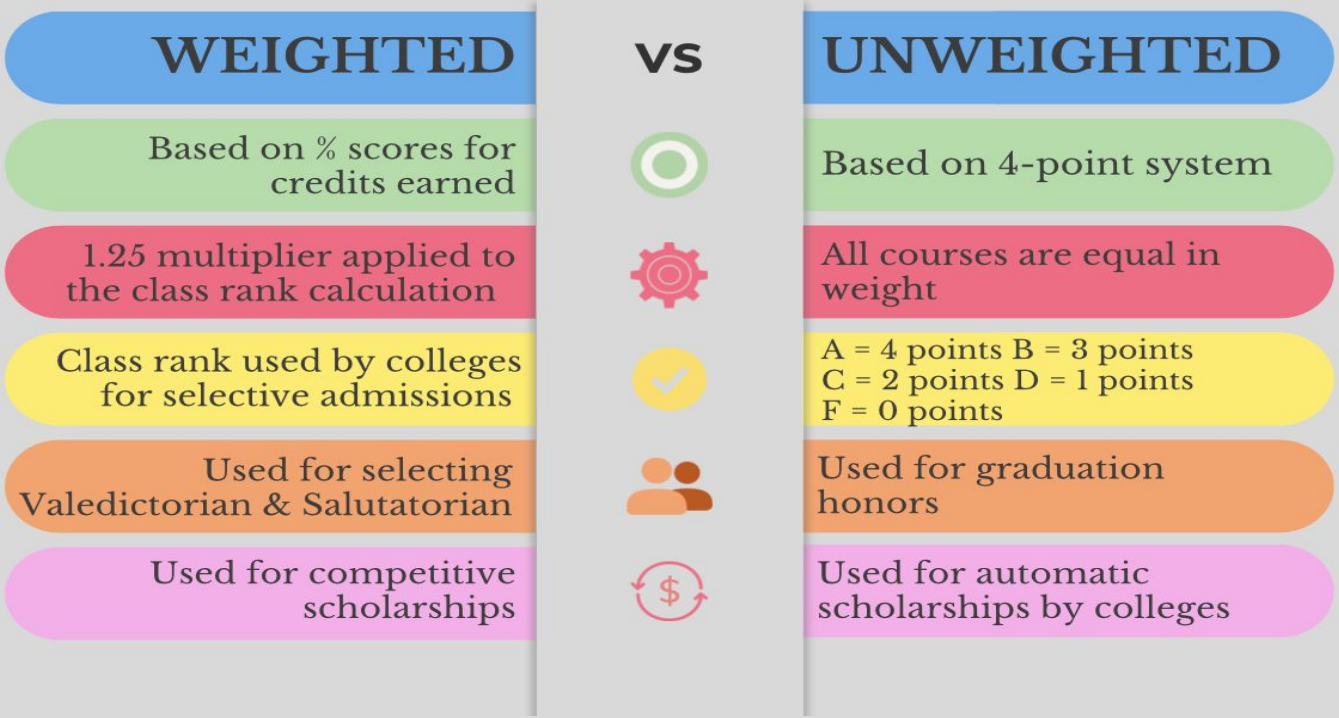
New Financial Literacy Graduation Requirement

- Must be taken your senior year
- 1 credit given
- Can also count as senior math credit
- Either Financial Literacy or Financial Literacy for Mathematics



ACADEMICS

Because of the rigorous nature of the curriculum, Honors, AP, and Dual Credit courses are designated as such on the transcript with a "weighted grade." There are several distinctions between courses that are weighted vs. unweighted, including:



STUDENT GRADE CLASSIFICATION

Student Classification

A student must earn a total of 24 credits to graduate. To be classified at grade level, the student must have earned a certain number of credits. The credits earned at the end of the school year classify you for your grade the following school year.

GRADE LEVEL	MINIMUM NUMBER OF CREDITS REQUIRED
10	5
11	11
12	17

CREDITS REQUIRED TO GRADUATE = 24

Class Sequence by Grade Level

	GRADE LEVEL				
	9th	10th	11th	12th	
ENGLISH	Eng IA & IB Honors Eng IA & IB	Eng IIA & IIB Honors Eng IIA & IIB	Eng IIIA & IIIB AP Language (1) ENG 101 (1) & 102 (1) English Electives	Eng IVA & IVB Eng 101 (1) & 102 (1) AP Literature (1) English Electives	
	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 4
MATH	Int. Mathematics IA & IB Algebra IA & IB Geometry A & B Honors Geometry A & B Algebra II A & B	Algebra IIA & IIB Honors Algebra IIA & IIB Geometry A & B Honors Geometry A & B MTH 150 (1) (All Year) MTH 150 (1) & 155 (1)	Algebra IIA & IIB Honors Algebra IIA & IIB Technical Math & Algebra III MTH 150 (1) (All Year) MTH 150 (1) & 155 (1) MTH 175 (1)	Technical Math & Algebra III Personal Finance (1) Money Skills (1) MTH 150 (1) (All Year) MTH 150 (1) & 155(1) MTH 175 (1) (All Year) AP Calculus BC(1)	
	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 4
SCIENCE	Int Science IA & IB Honors Int Science IA & IB	Biology A & B Honors Biology A & B	Physical Science A & B Chemistry A & B *Science Electives	*Science Electives (e.g., BIO 100, BIO 208)	
	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	-	= 3
SOCIAL STUDIES	Survey of S.S A & B Honors Survey of S.S A & B	World Civ A & B AP World History(1)	U.S History A & B AP U.S History(1) AP Gov./Pol.(1) HST 110 (1) & HST 120 (1)	*S.S. Electives (e.g., Political Science online dual credit courses)	
	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	-	= 3
	Health & P.E	Humanities (take any year)	-	Financial Literacy	
	= 1 Credit	= 1 Credit	-	= 1 Credit	= 3
	Elective	Electives	Electives	Electives	
	= 1 Credit	= 2 Credits	= 2 Credits	= 2 Credits	= 7

GRADUATION HONORS



HIGHEST HONOR - SUMMA CUM LAUDE:

- ✓ Successful completion of 24 credits
- ✓ Top 10% of the class based on weighted rank
- ✓ **Recognition**: White Stole

HIGH HONOR - MAGNA CUM LAUDE:

- ✓ Successful completion of 24 credits
- ✓ Cumulative unweighted GPA of a 3.8-3.99/4.0

HONOR - CUM LAUDE:

- ✓ Successful completion of 24 credits
- ✓ Cumulative unweighted GPA of a 3.5-3.79/4.0

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS:

Cords

- ✓ Gold - 3.5/4.0 unweighted GPA or higher
- ✓ Gold and Black - Beta Club Members
- ✓ Gold and Blue - National Honor Society Members
- ✓ Orange and White - GEAR UP Ambassadors
- ✓ Green and White - 4-H Members (Leadership Achievement)
- ✓ Red - Donators of at least 1 gallon of blood
- ✓ Red, Blue, and White - Y-Club members

Sashes

- ✓ Gold - FFA Members with state degrees
- ✓ Red - Postsecondary Ready
- ✓ GCA - Gatton/Craft Academy (sash for each academy)

Patches/Medals/Seals/Pins

- ✓ GSP Patch - Governor's Scholar Program Recipients
- ✓ GSE Medal - Governor's School for Entrepreneurs Recipients
- ✓ GSA Medal - Governor's School for the Arts Recipients
- ✓ AE Medal & Diploma Seal - Arts Excellence Recipients
- ✓ WE Diploma Seal - completion of Work Ethics Seal Program
- ✓ Star Pin - one for each Postsecondary Readiness component met

Postsecondary Readiness

- Benchmark #1: College Readiness
- Benchmark #2: Dual Credit
- Benchmark #3: Advanced Placement (AP) Exam
- Benchmark #4: Industry Certificate
- Benchmark #5: CTE End-of-Program (EOP) Assessment
- Benchmark #6: Registered Apprenticeship
- Benchmark #7: Cooperative (Co-op) Education

Our goals is for **ALL** seniors to be Postsecondary Ready by graduation!

MCSHS AP PROGRAM

- AP courses offer high school students the demand of college level work.
- Students are given the opportunity at the end of the course to take an AP Exam.
- Those students receiving a qualifying score of a 3, 4, or 5 may be awarded college credit depending on the college.
- AP classes: AP Language, AP US History, AP World History, AP Government, AP Chemistry, AP Art, AP Music Theory

DUAL CREDIT

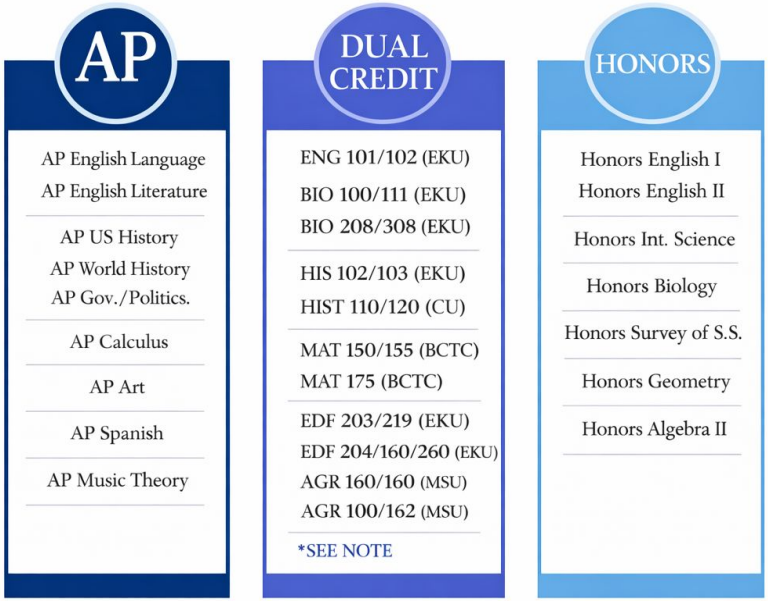
- Dual credit is awarded when a high school and a postsecondary institution give credit to a high school student for taking the same course.
- Allows high school students an opportunity to take affordable college courses while still in high school.
- Cost is currently $291 for a class: 3 credit hours(this is subject to change)
- GPA 3.0
- Dual credit offered through Campbellsville University, Eastern Kentucky University, Murray State University, and Bluegrass Community and Technical College

AP vs. Dual Credit vs. Honors

Choose your Path What is best for YOU:

*AP - Score 3, 4, or 5 on exam - receive college credit, don't have to pay for the class

*Dual Credit - have to pay for the class. If you receive a C or higher, you get college credit.



*Now is your time to start thinking about college and completing your General Education Requirements!

*In school dual credit courses and online asynchronous courses will help you get college credits and General Education Requirements completed!

Sample Senior Schedules

Student A:

1st period: ENG 101 (Fall) ENG 102 (Spring)

2nd period: BIO 100 (Fall) BIO 111 (Spring)

3rd period: Financial Literacy (non senior Math credit)

4th period: MTH 111 (All year) - Math credit

5th period: Dual Credit (online course - EKU)

Credit Placeholder (leaves school)

6th period: Dual Credit (online course - EKU)

Credit Placeholder (leaves school)

Student B:

1st period: Financial Literacy (Senior Math Credit)

2nd period: English IV A (Fall) English IV B (Spring)

3rd period: Teacher's Aide (Teacher must approve)

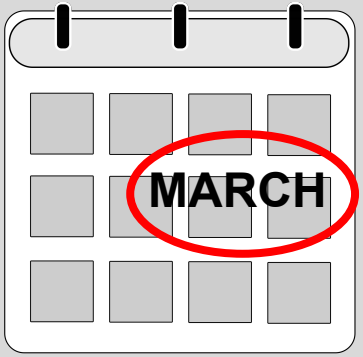
4th period: Elective of your choice

5th period: Marketing Co-op (leave school) - Job

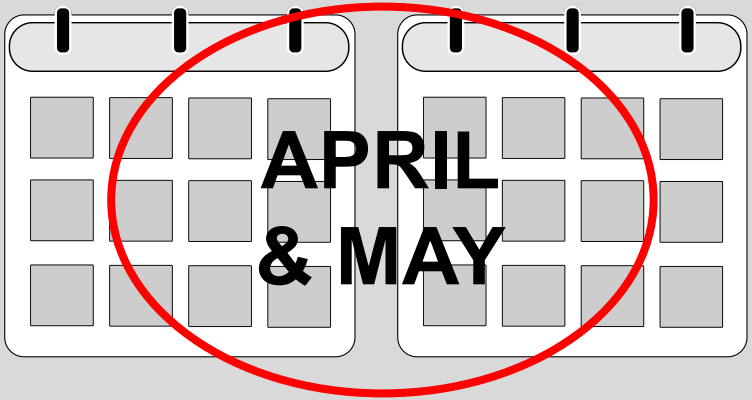
6th period: Marketing Internship (Leave school) - Job

*In order to co-op for Business or Ag - you have to have a job working at least 10 hours a week.

COMING UP!



➔ Plan your schedule in IC with **Academic Planner**



➔ Meet with counselors to look at the courses/schedules you have entered into Academic Planner

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